P3-12 Expression of the glucose-kinase gen of *Streptomyces coelicolor* in *Streptomyces clavuligerus*

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S. clavuligerus NRRL-3585, producer of clavulanic acid and cephamycin C, is unable to metabolize glucose. We have found that at least partially this is due to lack of glucose-kinase activity. The glucose-kinase gene from *S. coelicolor*, in a 2.9Kb DNA fragment (H. Ireda, E.T. Seno, C.J. Bruton and K.F. Chater. Mol. Gen. Genet. 196: 501, 1984), has been subcloned in the BglII site of plasmid pIJ702 and amplified into *S. lividans*. The recombinant plasmid (pULMG1) was transformed into *S. clavuligerus* NRRL-3585 and a glucose utilizing mutant *S. clavuligerus* gut1. Glucose-kinase activity was analysed in cell-free extract, after filtration through Saphadex G-25. An activity of 2.1 Units/mg protein was found in *S. clavuligerus* (pULMG1) a fifty-fold higher level than activity in *S. coelicolor*. The growth on glucose of the transformed *S. clavuligerus* strains will be discussed.